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Week of January 29-February 4, 2018 • Good news and good ideas for everyone!

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A thriving center for business, education and culture that attracts-and serves-us all.

Citizens committed to Working Smart for Excellence, Educational and Cultural Riches, Community Pride, Economic, Social and Personal Well-Being.

Speaking of Second to None...

Texas High Student Selected as Delegate to U.S. Senate Youth Program

Texas High Student Leader Jay Williamson one of only two from Texas selected as a delegate to the US Senate Youth Program!



The annual program will take place this March 3-8 in Washington, DC. It is funded by the Hearst Foundation for high-achieving students interested in careers in public service; the selection process is merit-based and highly competitive. Jay is planning to study government and business next year at UT-Austin and says he may consider running for office in his future. His selection includes a \$10,000 scholarship to support his undergraduate studies. This is the third time in the program's history that a Texas High student leader has been selected for this prestigious honor.

CONGRATULATIONS TO JAY AND TO TEXAS HIGH!







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PROFILES IN LEADERSHIP

YOUR 2018 Wilbur Award Nominees for Outstanding Community Leadership



Wilbur Award namesake Wilbur Smith being honored at first Wilbur presentation in 1992 - photo from Texarkana Gazette

It's the time of year when YOU tell US who's stepping up to make a difference as a leader in Texarkana USA by nominating outstanding community leaders for Wilbur Award honors.

Recognizing there is no better teacher nor motivator than the example of another's service, the Wilbur Awards were initiated by Leadership Texarkana in 1992; they are presented annually in April to exemplary adult, youth, and organizational community leaders who can inspire others as models of Working Together for Community Excellence.

"Example is not the main thing in influencing behavior, it is the ONLY thing!" Albert Schweitzer

Nomination forms are online at LeadershipTexarkana.com. Deadline for nomination is midnight, Tuesday, March 6th.

A T-TOWN TOP TEN

THINGS TO DO IN TEXARKANA

January 29-February 4, 2018



1 Texarkana Symphony Orchestra presents Windbourne's The Music of Journey

SATURDAY, FEB. 3, 7:30 P.M. • PEROT THEATRE

Hear a full rock band and a 50-piece orchestra perform music of one of the greatest anthem bands of all time. Iconic hits including: Don't Stop Believin', Faithfully, and Any Way You Want It. Tickets at *perottheatre.org*.



2 Two beautiful exhibits at the Regional Arts Center

TUESDAYS-SATURDAYS, 10 A.M.-4 P.M. • TRAHC



January 28-March 16

"THROUGH THE DARKNESS TO LIGHT: PHOTOGRAPHS ALONG THE UNDERGROUND RAILROAD"

Jeanine Michna-Bales has spent more than a decade meticulously researching "fugitive" slaves and the ways they escaped to freedom. The path Michna-Bales documented in her photo exhibit encompasses roughly 2,000 miles and is based off of actual sites, cities, and places that freedom-seekers passed through during their journey. FREE. Group tours welcome.

Contact adonohoe@trahc.org.

February 1-March 10

"16TH ANNUAL REGIONAL AFRICAN **AMERICAN ARTISTS EXHIBIT: OUR PATHS** FORWARD."



A wealth of visual material and opportunities to see the

faces of color. This refreshing collection of artwork by amateur and professional artists from the Ark-La-Tex area focuses on the African American experience, embracing a vital part of our culture, and is a platform for building cultural awareness and promoting artistic expression.

And don't miss other top picks:



Two for Youth from TRAHC in the Perot Theatre:

Tuesday, Jan. 30

TYA PASSING IT FORWARD: THE AMERICAN DREAM? FROM TRAHC AT THE PEROT THEATRE

Showings at 9:30 a.m. & 12:30 p.m. For grades: 6-12 and general admission. From the heartbeat of life we all



share the a-rhythmic noise of conflict, racial divide and miscommunication; Tapestry Dance Company takes a look at the rhythm of our lives in America. Call 903-792-8681 or email at khopper@trahc.org for info or tickets.

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Wednesday, Jan. 31

TRAHC PRESENTS DOKTOR KABOOM! IT'S JUST ROCKET SCIENCE AT THE PEROT THEATRE.

Showings at 9:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. Doktor Kaboom utilizes the physics of space exploration to demonstrate that science is for everyone! Come explore centripetal force, action/reaction, inertia, chemical reaction, and combustion, mathematics as patterns. For kids grades 4-8, and general admission. Tickets at 903-792-8681 or email at *khopper@trahc.org*.

4 Saturday, Feb. 3 through Sunday, Feb. 4

MURPHY'S TEXARKANA GUN & KNIFE SHOW

9 a.m.-4 p.m. at the Texarkana Arkansas Convention Center (Holiday Inn) in Texarkana, AR. Door Prizes, Guns, AMMO, Knives, outdoor gear and more. Admission good for both days: \$10 adult, Ages 11-15 \$5, Age 10 & under FREE.

5 Saturday, Feb. 3

"LEAD BIG" AT THE TWIN CITY EVENT & CONFERENCE CENTER ON TEXAS BLVD.- HOSTED BY DEREK J. MURPHY

9 a.m.-1 p.m. Inspiration and encouragement for leaders from every industry, from church, to civic, to education, to business or government! Keynote Speaker: Glenda F. Johnson, Jumpstarting U, Dallas, Texas. Portion of the proceeds benefit The Scholars, a local youth, entrepreneurial, and community service mentorship program. https://derekjmurphy.ticketleap.com/leadbig/

6 Saturday, Feb. 3 POLAR PLUNGE TO BENEFIT SPECIAL OLYMPICS ARKANSAS

At The Sportsplex by Healthcare Express. 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Sign up to participate https://www.firstgiving.com/soar/texarkana-plunge-2018



7 Saturday, Feb. 3
WWE LIVE: ROAD TO
WRESTLEMANIA.

7:30 p.m., Four States Fair Entertainment Center. www.fourstatesfair.com

8 Saturday, Feb. 3

JASE AND TARYN

8-11 p.m. at Scottie's Grill. Live music on

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9 Saturday, Feb. 3
'80S & '90S PARTY

SWAT Entertainment presents an 80's and



90's party with three of the hottest DJs in the Texarkana area and celebrity host Keeta King from Majic 93.3! 8 p.m.-2 a.m. Octavia's Activity Center on Texas Blvd. Tickets available through *Eventbrite.com*



Sunday, Feb. 4
GATHER WITH FRIENDS!

SUPERBOWL PARTIES AT HOME
OR OUT

Fat Jack's SUPER BOWL BBQ Smoke Off! All Day Party: We provide the meat - You bring your grill. Free BBQ and \$5 pitchers. 903.244.9495 for details.

TOTALLY TEXARKANA Food Faves

Featuring WISDOM beyond the classroom from Texarkana College



"One of my favorite totally Texarkana dishes is Amigo Juan's taco salad. It's a great family-owned restaurant with amazing customer service! Also, the Silver Star is a regular on our list. Love the atmosphere and service. Portions are so big we can share."

RONDA DOZIER

Cosmetology Program Coordinator LT Class of 2014

"My favorite place to eat is Chappos. I love the atmosphere—great for conversations without having to overcome background noises. The food is extremely flavorful, and the service is fast and friendly. You can bring your own wine and wind down. Love it!"

DEE DEE HARRISON

Liberal & Performing Arts Division Administrative Assistant



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May 4: Another inspiring day to lift you or your team.

Details to come

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